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Applicant:	Glen S. Axelrod	Examiner:	Kimberly S. Smith
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Title: ANIMAL C	HEW CONTAINING HA	ARD AND SOFT CHEW	ING SURFACES
Docket No.:	TFH028U	Customer No.:	32047

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## AMENDMENT G

Dear Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Office Action mailed August 3, 2009. As this response is being submitted within the three-month shortened statutory period for reply, no extension of time is believed necessary. Applicant conditionally petitions for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's thorough examination of the subject application and request reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application in view of the following:

Amendment to the Specification is reflected on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings are reflected on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.